

# State of Maryland

## 2007 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate		House		2. Name of Project
LR #	Bill #	LR #	Bill #	
3041	SB732	1077	HB113	Maryland Food Bank
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Kasemeyer				DeBoy
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Baltimore				\$500,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
Grant to the Board of Directors of The Maryland Food Bank, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, and renovation of office space and a community kitchen at the Maryland Food Bank.				
7. Matching Fund Requirements				
Grantee shall provide and expend a matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act.				
8. Special Provisions				
None				
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Phone	Email Address
Nancy Smith			410-737-8282, Ext. 226	smith@mdfoodbank.org

**10. Description and Purpose of Grantee Organization** (3000 characters maximum)

MarylanFood Bank was founded in 1979 and distributed 400,000 pounds of food to 38 community food providers – soup kitchens, food pantries, emergency shelters, and other feeding programs in its first year. Last year, the Maryland Food Bank distributed nearly 13.6 million pounds of food and grocery products – the equivalent of approximately 8.3 million meals or \$19,241,609 worth of food – to food providers throughout the state. This represents an increase of 15 percent over the prior year. Each month, an average of 700 community food providers receive food for the people they serve from our facilities in Baltimore and Salisbury; an additional 300 are served by our subsidiary food banks. Food providers picked up over 11,600 orders at the docks of our warehouses in Baltimore and Salisbury – an increase of nearly 35 percent over last year. In addition, we delivered over 800 orders on our trucks from our Baltimore facility to food providers throughout central Maryland.

This increase in distribution through our core operation is a result of our relocation to a new, larger building giving us much greater capacity to fulfill our mission. The new facility, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Distribution Center, spans 87,000 square feet and includes 300,000 cubic feet of refrigeration and freezer space. The extra room allows our staff to serve more community food providers, distribute more fresh and nutritious foods, and adds space to utilize more volunteers and to develop and house new programs.

Thanks to the increased capacity of our new building we have also been able to grow our programming to target and reach particular niche groups and populations at risk of hunger. This has been particularly successful with programming targeted at kids. Our Kids’ Cafe program which supplies at-risk children with a meal or snack and provides help with homework and a safe place to go after school. We are expanding this program.

We have also been able to start a pilot backpack program through a partnership with a local chapter of the National Council of Jewish Women. Every Friday, children taking part in the local Headstart program are given a backpack filled with healthy food to get them through the weekend. On Monday morning they return the backpack and will receive another full backpack the next Friday. We’re planning to make this program an add-on to all Kids’ Cafe sites and possibly pair it with a portion of School Pantry sites as well.

The additional warehouse space has also provided us with the capacity to further expand our nutrition education program. Through a partnership with the University of Maryland Cooperative Extension, the Maryland Food Bank provides nutrition education to low-income individuals and families throughout the state. Our nutrition educator conducts nutrition classes, food safety demonstrations, cooking demonstrations, and food stamp outreach sessions and works with our staff to develop the menus for our Kids’ Cafe program

**11. Description and Purpose of Project** (3000 characters maximum)

The Maryland Food Bank proposes to establish a high-impact food rescue program with a training component that is modeled on similar successful programs in Washington, D.C. and Vermont. This project will enable the Maryland Food Bank to move more food to hungry people in our state. In addition, we are in need of addition office space.

*Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 11 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 12 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.*

**12. Estimated Capital Costs**

<b>Acquisition</b>			
<b>Design</b>		\$30,000	
<b>Construction</b>		\$225,000	
<b>Equipment</b>		\$447,000	
<b>Total</b>		\$702,000	
<b>13. Proposed Funding Sources – (List all funding sources and amounts.)</b>			
<b>Source</b>		<b>Amount</b>	
Bond Bill 2007		\$500,000	
Board of Directors		\$50,000	
Private Foundation		\$100,000	
Corporation		\$62,000	
<b>Total</b>		\$702,000	
<b>14. Project Schedule</b>			
<b>Begin Design</b>	<b>Complete Design</b>	<b>Begin Construction</b>	<b>Complete Construction</b>
Summer 2007	Fall 2007	Spring 2008	Fall 2008
<b>15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised as of January 2007</b>		<b>16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site</b>	
0		265,000	
		<b>17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete</b>	
		first year 15% increase	
<b>18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in Past 15 Years</b>			
<b>Legislative Session</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
2004	\$962,000	Building Design and Acquisition	
2005	\$175,000	Building Equipment	
2006	\$150,000	New Construction on Salvage Area	
<b>19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee</b>		<b>Project Address (If Different)</b>	
Maryland Food Bank, Inc. 2200 Halethorpe Farms Road Halethorpe, Maryland 21227			
<b>20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located</b>			12A
<b>21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check one)</b>			
<b>Local Govt.</b>	<b>For Profit</b>	<b>Non Profit</b>	<b>Federal</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>22. Grantee Legal Representative</b>		<b>23. If Match Includes Real Property:</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	DLA Piper Rudnick LLP	<b>Has An Appraisal Been Done?</b>	Yes/No
<b>Phone:</b>	410-580-4145		
<b>Address:</b>		<b>If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value</b>	
6225 Smith Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21209		10/2004	\$6,125,000

<b>24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site</b>			
<b>Current # of Employees</b>	<b>Projected # of Employees</b>	<b>Current Operating Budget</b>	<b>Projected Operating Budget</b>
58	62	\$4,627,700	4.49% increase
<b>25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond issuance purposes)</b>			
<b>A. Will the grantee <u>own</u> or <u>lease</u> (pick one) the property to be improved?</b>			Own
<b>B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?</b>			No
<b>C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?</b>			No
<b>D. If property is owned by grantee and any space is to be leased, provide the following:</b>			
<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Terms of Lease</b>	<b>Cost Covered by Lease</b>	<b>Square Footage Leased</b>
<b>E. If property is leased by grantee – Provide the following:</b>			
<b>Name of Leaser</b>	<b>Length of Lease</b>	<b>Options to Renew</b>	
<b>26. Building Square Footage:</b>			
<b>Current Space GSF</b>			
<b>Space to Be Renovated GSF</b>			
<b>New GSF</b>			
<b>27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion</b>			
<b>28. Comments: (3000 characters maximum)</b>			

The Maryland Food Bank was founded in April, 1979. We have continued to stay true to our mission, feeding the hungry people of Maryland. In 1979 we distributed 400,000 pounds of food, in 2006, we distributed 13.6 million pounds of food. Our ultimate goal is to increase the amount of food going to the hungry citizens of our state. The Maryland Food Bank has the capacity and the experienced leadership to successfully implement this new and operate expanding programs. This investment by the State of Maryland will support many agencies whose capacities are strained. Above all, this bond bill will provide for the working poor, senior citizens, single parents and many more. We anticipate this community kitchen will initially provide 1,144,356 of high quality, prepared meals that include critical protein mission in many emergency food programs, not to mention the job training component critical for employment. This is an investment for the neediest citizens in our state with an organization that has a proven track record for over 28 years.